

REMARKS

Claims 33-99 are pending in the present application. Claims 33-55 have been rejected in the Office Action dated February 25, 2003. Claims 56-86 have been withdrawn from consideration in that same Office Action pursuant to a restriction requirement. Claims 87-99 have been added. As indicated above, these claims have been copied from U.S. Patent No. 6,387,844 in order to preserve Applicant's rights under 35 U.S.C. § 135(b). As also indicated above, the present submission of new Claims 87-99 is not intended to be a response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003. Applicant reserves the right to reply to that Office Action within the period for response set forth therein. Entry of the present Amendment is requested.

A copy of the '844 Patent was submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 19, 2002.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

New Claims 87-99 have been added.